

CHAP. 386.—An Act Authorizing the sale of the United States Veterans' Bureau hospital at Corpus Christi, Texas.

March 2, 1925.

[S. 2100.]

[Public, No. 517.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Director of the United States Veterans' Bureau is hereby authorized to have appraised and after advertisement to sell to the highest bidder or bidders as a whole or in parcels in his discretion and on such terms as he deems proper the United States Veterans' Bureau hospital reservation at Corpus Christi, Texas, and to make, execute, and deliver all needful conveyances. The director shall have the right to reject any and all bids. The net proceeds of such sale or sales shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts.

Corpus Christi, Tex.
Sale of Veterans'
Bureau hospital at.

Disposal of proceeds.

Approved, March 2, 1925

CHAP. 387.—An Act To provide and adjust penalties for violation of the navigation laws, and for other purposes.

March 2, 1925.

[S. 2399.]

[Public, No. 518.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be added at the end of section 4472, Revised Statutes, as amended, the provision: "That the owner of any automobile in which all fire has not been extinguished and the motors stopped immediately after the automobile has taken its position on any vessel found on navigable waters of the United States and in which such fires do not remain extinguished and the motors remain idle until the vessel is made fast to the wharf or ferry bridge at which she lands shall incur a penalty of not more than \$500, for which the automobile shall be liable."

Steam passenger ves-
sels.
Automobiles on.
Penalty for not extin-
guishing fire, and stop-
ping motor when on
board.
Vol. 33, p 1301,
amended.
R. S., sec. 4472, p. 865.

Approved, March 2, 1925.

CHAP. 388.—An Act To revive and reenact the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Sabine River at or near Orange, Texas."

March 2, 1925.

[S. 4087.]

[Public, No. 519.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved May 13, 1920, authorizing the Orange Chamber of Commerce, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Sabine River at or near the city of Orange, Texas, be, and the same is hereby, revived and reenacted: *Provided*, That this Act shall be null and void unless the actual construction of the bridge be commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of approval hereof.

Sabine River.
Time extended for
bridging, at Orange,
Tex.
Vol. 41, p. 598, amend-
ed.

Proviso.
Time of construction.

SEC. 2. The States of Texas and Louisiana, or either of them, or any political subdivision or subdivisions thereof, within or adjoining which said bridge is located, may at any time acquire all right, title, and interest in said bridge and approaches thereto constructed under the authority of this Act, for the purpose of maintaining and operating such bridge as a free bridge, by the payment to the owners of the reasonable value thereof, not to exceed in any event the construction cost thereof: *Provided*, That the said State or States, or political subdivision or divisions, may operate such bridge as a toll bridge not to exceed five years from date of acquisition thereof.

Texas or Louisiana
may acquire to operate
as a free bridge.

Proviso.
Tolls allowed for five
years.

Amendment.

SEC. 3. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 2, 1925.